



THE PRESIDENT'S CHURCH IN WASHINGTON.
The illustration shows the new Grace Dutch Reformed church in Washington where President Roosevelt worships. The president donated two handsome mahogany pulpit chairs to the congregation.

GENERAL YOUNG'S WAY.

Nervy Act of the Army's Chief in Rescuing a Corporal.
Back in the reconstruction period of the south Lieutenant General S. B. M. Young, the new chief of the general staff of the United States army, proved himself a hero of the fearless, intrepid stripe, says Collier's Weekly. The incident occurred in Texas. He was in command of a garrison in the Lone Star State. Considerable friction developed between the soldiery and the citizens of the town. The citizens made divers threats, and the bluecoats followed suit. Young respected the law, but those were strenuous times, and the iron hand was needed down in that country. The people stormed, but Young merely laughed.

Finally the town authorities arrested one of the soldiers and haled him into court. Tension was high in the little town, and things looked dark for the prisoner. Young learned of the arrest. He didn't call in his staff for advice, and he didn't wait to consult with his military jurists. The exigency had to be met quietly, and Young acted instantly. He ordered out a file of soldiers, placed himself at their head and marched rapidly down the streets to the courthouse. The march startled the townsfolk. They gathered in angry groups, but they didn't feaze the future commander in chief of the army.

On he led his detachment. "Column left!" rang out as the little file of soldiery reached the courthouse steps, and up they marched and down the aisles of the court room, where Corporal Smith, the prisoner, resigned to his fate, was standing, while the judge was pronouncing his sentence. The justice paused in his judicial declamation and became dumb with amazement. Young's eyes flashed.

"Corporal," he called out, "about face, forward, march!"
Quick as a flash the corporal wheeled about in the prisoner's dock and marched with regular step to Young's relief detachment. Young glanced at the judge, saluted him in mock courtesy and again turned to his men.

"About face, forward!" he ordered, and the soldiers, with the rescued corporal in their midst, moved out and filed up the streets to the army post.

It was a nervy act that might have precipitated a riot in these days, but the citizens of the town were paralyzed with amazement and to this day have never taken any steps in reprisal.

VIOLET HAT ON COFFIN.

Chicago Undertaker Made a Mistake With Flower Covered Headpiece.

A woman in Chicago, the wife of a young minister, has always had a liking for hats of the flower bed variety. At present she owns a "dream" that is covered with violets. The young wife wore the hat recently to a funeral at which her husband officiated. Going into the room which contained the coffin, she removed the hat and placed it on a stand.

The sad faced undertaker came in a few minutes later to arrange the "dioral tokens" on the coffin. After placing the bouquets, wreaths and other flowers in place he picked up the violet covered hat and placed it on top of all the rest. Several of the "mourners" giggled, and the minister's wife wanted to take her hat and run. She had to leave it, however, until the close of the ceremony. When she went by the bier she grasped the hat and successfully made her escape.

A Rich Man's Fanny.

How many men who have acquired a fortune by practicing the most rigid economy in their younger days would abandon their palatial residence in old age to live in a woodshed? That is what Abraham Slinger, known throughout Iowa as the "Waverly philanthropist," intends to do, says the Detroit News. The woodshed which Slinger will move into will be made into two rooms, a bedroom and dining room. He will live alone and cook his own meals. He declares that he will have reached the true state of happiness in this world, contentment in simplicity. During the past few years Slinger has given more money to charitable institutions than any other man in Iowa. He is said to be worth more than \$1,000,000, and it is his purpose to give this fortune in various sums to the needy institutions of the state before he dies.

Beacon Lights as an Aid to Cupid.

In the top of the Montauk lighthouse at Montauk point, on Long Island, Miss Evelyn Cook, formerly of London, recently stood before a minister and took Charles O. Gould of Easthampton for better or worse. And just as the words that made them man and wife had been uttered word of the wedding flashed across to Newport by wireless telegraph. Mr. Gould's father was born in the lighthouse, and it was the son's often expressed wish that he be married there. The fact that he first met Miss Cook there was an additional reason for choosing the quaint place for the ceremony. The wedding was the first that had been celebrated in the old lighthouse for seventy-five years.

Fishing For Potatoes.

The limit in agricultural achievements has been reached by John C. Gangness, who lives near St. Charles, Mich. Mr. Gangness has a fine patch of potatoes near the river on the marshy flats, but recent rains put the field thirty inches under water. Needing potatoes for dinner, Gangness rowed to his field of tubers in a boat and dug a sufficient quantity for the meal with his paddle. As the water has been over the land but a few days, the potatoes are unspoiled and proved to be of excellent quality.

KIMONOS FOR STREET WEAR.

Chicago Club Women Indorse Them For Shopping and Theaters.

The Japanese kimono and the flowing silken robes worn by the orientals, ornamented with exquisitely embroidered flowers and birds—these are the ideal garments for women from the artistic standpoint. Members of the North Side Art club, Chicago, reached this conclusion after Dr. Yamei Kin, a native Chinese, had drawn parallels between the crude, abrupt lines of the tailor made gown and the graceful curves of the kimono during a talk on "Chinese Women" the other forenoon, says the Chicago Tribune.

The speaker wore the native costume, and her hearers went into ecstasies over the delicate colorings and the graceful lines of the loose garment. Dr. Yamei Kin urged that the dress of the oriental women be practical as well as beautiful, and after telling why it was so the American women agreed that there is no dress quite like the kimono.

They urged that American women should adopt the dress of the orientals and appear in kimonos on all occasions—on the street, in their homes and at the theaters.

"Wouldn't the kimono be cold in winter time?" was asked.
"Cold?" echoed Dr. Yamei Kin. "No; not cold. You may put on as many kimonos as you want to, the one over the other, until you have enough on to keep you warm."

"It would be a good idea if women would adopt the Japanese kimono for general wear," declared Mrs. La Verne W. Noyes, president of the club. "They could be worn on all occasions, and then the pockets in the sleeves would be a great convenience to the Chicago women. They are large enough to hold samples and purse, almost everything."

Mrs. F. W. Tracy thought they would be excellent for shopping, and Mrs. R. L. Greenlee declared that the location of the pockets would do much to protect women against holdups and pickpockets.

SENATOR PLATT'S TREAT.

Gave Express Boys a \$2,000 "Good Time" in Honor of Wedding.

The marriage of Senator Thomas C. Platt has made him so happy that he wants the many thousand employees of the United States Express company to be happy with him. One thousand of them in Chicago were recently given "a good time," and the men understood that it was the wish and at the expense of the senator.

The entertainment began with a vaudeville performance, followed by a dance and a dinner. Employees in other cities are said to have been feasted and danced in a similar manner.

"We were told to go ahead and get up an entertainment to cost about \$2,000," said one of the employees, "and the company would settle. We did, and it was a big success. We learned it was Senator Platt's way of having us celebrate his marriage."

BIBLE TEXT FOR BUSINESS.

Plan of Benton Harbor Barbers to Fight Against Flying Rollers.

The barbers of Benton Harbor, Mich., have been forced to adopt Biblical signs in order to counteract the influence of the Flying Rollers, who have settled in the port and are going about advocating the growth of long hair on face and head, says the Chicago Post. The barbers have had printed and now display in their windows this text from Paul's letter to the Corinthians: "Doth not nature itself teach you that if a man have long hair it is a shame unto him?"

Benton Harbor seems to be the favorite retreat of people with odd ideas of religion. Dowle has a flock there, the Rollers are multiplying, and there are two or three other companies who have queer religious notions.

The Kaiser and Strauss.

An amusing story is told of Emperor William and Richard Strauss, the composer. One day recently when at the opera the kaiser said that he liked the simple old operas, and, turning to Strauss, he asked him his opinion. Strauss took the liberty of disagreeing with his majesty, who, turning in comic despair to those around him, said, "Now see what an adder I have been nurturing in my bosom!" Since then Strauss is called "imperial bosom adder."

Duke of Manchester's Purchase.

Considerable has been written about the Duke of Manchester's new purchase, but few people know that Lorenzo Henry, who sold the castle directly to the Duke of Manchester, is one of the oldest friends of the young duchess, and when she was a young girl he stayed with her parents at her home in Cincinnati, says the London Onlooker. Mr. Henry is the son of the former owner, who built the Irish castle in Connemara.

College Yells Revised.

[A movement to revise and censorize the college yell has been proposed.]
The raucous yell
Of old Cornell
And the whooping hall of Yale,
The Harvard howl
And the Princeton growl
To a milder tone must pale.
The U. C. shriek
And the Vassar squeak
And the Hopkins ribald roar;
Northwestern's yell
Of a lion whelp
Shall be softer on the air.
The Wesleyan squeal
And the Stanford yell
And the rah, rah of old Knox;
The West Point cry
And the Fluke kl y!
Must eliminate their shrieks.
And the hoop-de-dee
Of the Oskaloos
Shall be made more circumspect.
But the college yell
Will sound like—well
It will hold more interest!
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